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- Descriptive data on the jet plane (see attached sketch): The parked planes showed a tail wheel which was retracted when the plane was in the air. The size of the plane was about that of the Me-109 but the fuselage was considerably slimmer. The plane was painted bluish-gray and had the ded star emblem on fuselage, wings and tail unit. (This plane did not have the four rod-like attachments to the nose which are reproduced in the attached sketch) Unile aloft it made a rustling sound. Its speed was estimated at 480 to 600 miles per hour.
- 2. Source later saw the same type in Kalinin equipped with four respons fitted to the nose.

Comment:

The observations made at the Tbilisi Aircraft Plant No 31 show that the one-seat version was concerned (tail wheel on parked planes). The landing gear is reported to be retractable inwards as is the case with the one-seat Yak-15.

Attachment: Aircraft Observed in Aircraft Plant No 31, Tbilisi

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